sections 3 and 4 of NSA Order 35 (OPR-2). Continental United States ports do not include ports in the states of Alaska or Hawaii.

- (a) The commencement of the initial voyage shall occur in a continental U.S. port at 0001 hours of the day the vessel is tendered and accepted for use by MSTS. Subsequent voyages shall commence in a continental U.S. port at 0001 hours of the day after either of the following activities occurs:
 - (1) The previous voyage terminates.
- (2) Reduced operational status period terminates and vessel returns to full operational status.
- (b) Voyages shall terminate in a continental U.S. port at 2400 hours of the day that the following action is completed:
- (1) Paying off of the crew from sea articles.
- (c) Since, in all instances, the voyage termination procedure takes precedence over the voyage commencement procedure and since it is mandatory that voyages terminate in a continental U.S. port, the following exception to the requirement of paragraph (b) of this section shall be effective when warranted:
- (1) If the vessel completes payoff as in paragraph (b) of this section and takes departure within the same calendar day, the General Agent shall immediately inform the nearest Coast Director of Area Representative of the circumstances and submit recommendations regarding voyage termination. The resulting recommendations, decisions, and instructions shall be confirmed in writing to the General Agent, copy to Division of Operations, Washington, DC 20590.
- (d) Where a vessel is employed in intermediate voyages or in cross trading outside the continental United States, the original voyage shall continue until terminated under conditions in paragraph (b) of this section.

 $\left[\text{OPR-2, Amdt. 3, 33 FR 6710, May 2, 1968. Redesignated at 45 FR 44587, July 1, 1980}\right]$

PART 330—LAUNCH SERVICES

Sec.

- What this order does.
- 2. Authority for launch hire.

AUTHORITY: Sec. 204, 49 Stat. 1987, as amended; 46 U.S.C. 1114.

SOURCE: OPR-3, 16 FR 12791, Dec. 20, 1951, unless otherwise noted. Redesignated at 45 FR 44587, July 1, 1980.

Section 1 What this order does.

This order prescribes the circumstances under which launch hire will be accepted by National Shipping Authority as vessel operating expense.

Sec. 2 Authority for launch hire.

Launch hire in foreign and domestic ports will be accepted by National Shipping Authority as vessel operating expense, subject to the provisions of Article 5 of GAA 3-19-51 and BAA 9-19-51, only under the following circumstances:

- (a) When incurred by the Master of an NSA vessel, or by an agent of NSA or by his sub-agent, for the purpose of properly conducting the owners' activities and business of NSA vessels;
- (b) When incurred in transporting liberty parties to or from an NSA vessel with the approval of the Master or the General Agent as properly for account of the vessel owner; and
- (c) When incurred for the transportation of workmen required aboard the vessel, if the contract for the work provides that such service shall be for account of NSA, and the launch service is authorized by the representative of NSA or the agent who ordered the work to be performed for account of NSA.

PART 332—REPATRIATION OF SEAMEN

Sec.

- . What this order does.
- Definitions.
- 3. Classification of repatriates.
- 4. Manner of repatriation.
- Repatriation charges.
- 6. General provisions.

AUTHORITY: Sec. 204, 49 Stat. 1937, as amended; 46 U.S.C. 1114.

SOURCE: OPR-5, 18 FR 1446, Mar. 13, 1953, unless otherwise noted. Redesignated at 45 FR 44587, July 1, 1980.

Section 1 What this order does.

This order prescribes the manner in which seamen separated from vessels

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operated for the account of the National Shipping Authority shall be repatriated and explains how charges in connection with such repatriation shall be handled.

Sec. 2 Definitions.

(a) For the purpose of this order, the term *seaman* shall include every person, irrespective of capacity or rating, whose last service has been on a vessel operated for the account of the National Shipping Authority, upon which vessel he had signed shipping articles and whether or not he had signed off such articles before a consular or other authorized official, but shall not include the master of such a vessel.

(b) The term *General Agent* shall include any designated representative of such General Agent.

Sec. 3 Classification of repatriates.

Seamen in need of repatriation, whether being repatriated to or from the United States, shall be classified as follows:

- (a) Seamen separated from their vessels because of the destruction of, abandonment of, or damage to their vessels, or because of termination of shipping articles at a port outside the continental limits of the United States.
- (b) Seamen separated from their vessels as the result of illness or injury received in the service of their vessels or otherwise through no fault of their own.
- (c) Seamen separated from their vessels for any cause whatsoever not described in paragraph (a) or (b) of this section.

Sec. 4 Manner of repatriation.

(a) A seaman described in paragraph (a) of section 3 of this order shall be repatriated in accordance with the provisions of the shipping articles, or the applicable collective bargaining agreement, employment contract, or statute. If a seaman in this class is repatriated as a passenger, the General Agent of the vessel of which he was last a crew member shall arrange for his passage and pay the amount of expense involved.

(b) A seaman described in paragraph (b) of section 3 of this order may be re-

patriated as a passenger where space is available and circumstances permit. If applicable collective bargaining agreements, employment contracts, or statutes do not conflict, he may return as a workaway or, at the discretion of the master of the repatriating vessel, he may sign on articles either as a replacement of to complete a vessel's complement or, when deemed advisable by the official authorizing the repatriation and with the approval of the master of the repatriating vessel, he may be signed on the articles as a repatriated seaman (non-working). If a seaman in this class is repatriated as a passenger, or repatriate seaman (nonworking), the General Agent of the vessel of which he was last a crew member shall arrange for his passage and pay the amount of expense involved.

(c) A seaman described in paragraph (c) of section 3 of this order shall be returned as a workaway or, at the discretion of the master of the repatriating vessel, he may sign on as a replacement or to complete a vessel's complement. Only in unusual cases, and only with the prior approval of the Chief, Division of Operations, shall a seaman in this class be repatriated as a passenger or as a repatriate seaman (non-working). If a seaman in this class is repatriated as a passenger, or as a repatriate seaman (non-working), the General Agent of the vessel of which he was last a crew member shall arrange for his passage and pay the amount of expense involved.

(d) A master shall be repatriated in accordance with applicable collective bargaining agreement, employment contract, statute, or established com-

mercial practice.

Sec. 5 Repatriation charges.

(a) If it is deemed necessary to repatriate a seaman as a passenger aboard a privately operated vessel, plane, train, or other conveyance, the full amount of the reasonably incurred expense in connection therewith shall be billed against the General Agent of the vessel of which he was last a crew member.

(b) If a seaman is repatriated as a passenger, or as a repatriate seaman (non-working), aboard a vessel operated for the account of the National